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May 7, 2002

Denise Desautels, Hearing Officer  
Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy  
One South Station, 2nd Floor  
Boston, MA 02110

Re: Petition of NSTAR Gas Company for Approval of its Long-Range Load Forecast and Resource Plan for the five-year period 2001/02 through 2005/06 pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §§ 69I, *et seq.*, D.T.E. 02-12

Dear Hearing Officer Desautels:

The Attorney General moves, pursuant to 220 C.M.R. §§ 1.02(4), 1.02(5), to extend the deadline for issuing his discovery in this matter from Tuesday, May 7, 2002, to Tuesday, May 14, 2002.

As grounds for his motion, the Attorney General asserts that due to extenuating circumstances, he requires additional time within which to issue discovery in this matter. The Attorney General requests a one week extension of time to file discovery in this matter and believes no party would be unfairly prejudiced by the same. The Attorney General does not oppose a one week extension of time for the Company to respond to his discovery. The Attorney General requests that he be allowed to file discovery by the close of business on Tuesday, May 14, 2002. The Company does not object to this extension request.

Very truly yours,

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